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PARIS: FOR DEA

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TAGS: SNAR, AF
SUBJECT: THE FUTURE OF THE JOINT COMMISSION ON AFGHAN NARCOTICS
MATTERS

1. AMONG A NUMBER OF TOPICS I DISCUSSED WITH AFGHAN FOREIGN
MINISTER HAFIZULLAH AMIN ON JULY 20 WAS THE FUTURE OF THE
JOINT COMMISSION ON AFGHAN NARCOTICS MATTERS (JC). AMIN DID NOT
APPEAR TO BE VERY FAMILIAR WITH THIS BODY, WHICH OPERATED FOR
APPROXIMATELY EIGHT MONTHS BEFORE THE APRIL 27 REVOLUTION AND
WAS CHAIRED BY ONE OF HIS HELDOVER FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS:
MOHAMMAD YAHYA MAROOFI, WHO HAS REMAINED DIRECTOR OF THE
MINISTRY'S INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND UN AFFAIRS DIVISION.
NEVERTHELESS, AMIN EXPRESSED INTEREST IN HAVING THE JC CONTINUE
ITS WORK, AFFIRMING THAT HIS GOVERNMENT WANTED TO COMBAT OPIUM
CULTIVATION "TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE." (COMMENT: THIS WAS POSSIBLY
A VEILED REFERENCE TO REPORTS OF RESISTANCE TO THE NEW REGIME IN
THE TRIBAL GROWING AREAS AND, ALSO, NO DOUBT, TO PROBLEMS THE
GOVERNMENT WOULD RUN INTO IF IT ATTEMPTED TO SUPPRESS POPPY
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CULITIVATION TOO HASTILY AND AT A TIME WHEN THE NEW REGIME WAS
SEEKING POLITICAL SUPPORT FROM TRIBAL GROUPS. END COMMENT)

2. MAROOFI RECENTLY TOLD AN EMBASSY OFFICER THAT HE HAS WRITTEN
TO ALL THE MINISTRIES WHICH WERE REPRESENTED ON THE PRE-
REVOLUTIONARY JOINT COMMISSION, ASKING THEM TO NOMINATE NEW
MEMBERS. HE HOPES TO BE ABLE TO CALL A JC MEETING BEFORE THE

ARRIVAL OF UNFDAC EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REXED IN AUGUST, BUT WE
ARE NOT OPTIMISTIC THAT MUCH CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED BEFORE REXED
ARRIVES.
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